

The Core Practice™ Framework

ACT College and Career Readiness Benchmarks

High-Quality Instruction

Theme 1
Curriculum & Academic Goals

Study and use the district's written curriculum to plan all instruction.

Theme 2
Staff Selection, Leadership, & Capacity Building

Collaborate as a primary means for improving instruction.

Theme 3
Instructional Tools: Programs & Strategies

Use proven instructional tools to support rigorous learning for students.

Theme 4
Monitoring Performance & Progress

Analyze and discuss student performance data.

Theme 5
Intervention & Adjustment

Use targeted interventions or adjustments to address learning needs of students.

Classroom Core Practices

School Core Practices

Set expectations and goals for teaching and learning based on the district's written curriculum.

Select and develop teachers to ensure high-quality instruction.

Promote strategies and build structures and schedules to support academic rigor.

Monitor teacher performance and student learning.

Use targeted interventions to address learning needs of teachers and students.

District Core Practices

Provide clear, prioritized learning objectives by grade and subject that all students are expected to master.

Provide strong principals, a talented teacher pool, and layered professional development.

Provide evidence- and standards-based instructional tools that support academic rigor for all students.

Develop and use student assessment and data management systems to monitor student learning.

Respond to data through targeted interventions or curricular/instructional adjustments.

District Learning Objectives

State Standards/Common Core Standards

ACT College and Career Readiness Standards